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In re Patent Application of

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Date: January 9, 2007

Title: SPHERICAL ANNULAR SEAL MEMBER

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER

This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon.

 Correspondence Address Indication Form Attached.

Fees are attached as calculated below:

Total effective claims after amendment	36	minus highest number	
previously paid for	20	(at least 20) =	16 x \$50.00
			\$800.00 (1202)/\$400.00 (2202) \$ 800.00

Independent claims after amendment	2	minus highest number	
previously paid for	3	(at least 3) =	0 x \$200.00
			\$0.00 (1201)/\$0.00 (2201) \$

If proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, (ignore improper); add

\$360.00 (1203)/\$180.00 (2203) \$

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One Month Extension \$120.00 (1251)/\$60.00 (2251)

Two Month Extensions \$450.00 (1252)/\$225.00 (2252)

Three Month Extensions \$1020.00 (1253)/\$510.00 (2253)

Four Month Extensions \$1590.00 (1254)/\$795.00 (2254)

Five Month Extensions \$2160.00 (1255)/\$1080.00 (2255) \$ 1020.00

Terminal disclaimer enclosed, add

\$130.00 (1814) / \$65.00 (2814) \$

Applicant claims "small entity" status.  Statement filed herewith

Rule 56 Information Disclosure Statement Filing Fee	\$180.00 (1806)	\$ 0.00
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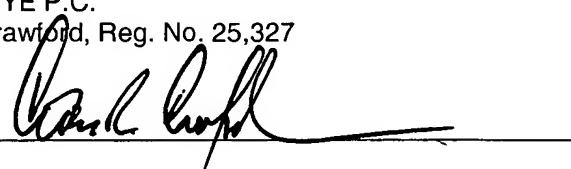
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Account No. 14-1140. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

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**AMENDMENT**

Applicants hereby submit this in response to the Office Action mailed July 14, 2006 ("Office Action").

A response to the Office Action was originally due October 14, 2006. Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time in which to submit a response or an amendment in response to the Office Action. The fee for a three-month extension of time is \$1020 and a check in that amount is enclosed. Therefore, the deadline for responding to the Office Action is now January 14, 2007. Accordingly, this Amendment and Response is being timely filed.